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1. This message was drafted by State, CDC and PEPFAR personnel at Embassy Mbabane. 2. SUMMARY: On Sept 27 the Swaziland Central Statistical Of
3. Two types of population counts were reported in the 2007 census. The de facto population (which includes persons sleeping away from househ
4. Prior to this census, the most widely used estimate of Swaziland's population had come from the United Nations Population Division and US E
5. COMMENT: Given provisional results of the 2007 census suggesting lower population levels than expected and a negative growth rate, the foll
6. It is likely that all of these factors (and perhaps others) are part of the causal explanation behind the concerning trends. The consequenc
7. Early reactions by local authorities indicate a clear disappointment in the 2007 census results. Further analysis of the data is required t